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#### SPECIAL ORDERS

The SPEAKER pro tempore. Under the Speaker's announced policy of January 6, 2009, and under a previous order of the House, the following Members will be recognized for 5 minutes each.

#### NATIONAL POLICE WEEK

The SPEAKER pro tempore. Under a previous order of the House, the gentleman from Ohio (Ms. SUTTON) is recognized for 5 minutes.

Ms. SUTTON. Mr. Speaker, I rise today in recognition of National Police Week. In 1962, President John F. Kennedy signed a Presidential proclamation that set aside May 15 as National Peace Officers Memorial Day, and the week of May 15 as National Police Week. Since that time, we have dedicated this week to honor those who have fallen in the line of duty.

During this week, police officers and their families and people in our communities throughout the country come together to honor and remember those officers who have fallen in the line of duty. It's a week to honor their service, their sacrifice, and their life. But this week is also for the surviving family members and fellow officers of the fallen. It's a time of tribute, and it's a time of healing.

Northeast Ohio has experienced the tragic loss of two police officers recently this year. At the end of his watch on March 15, 2010, Officer James Kerstetter of the Elyria Police Department was shot and killed in the line of duty. Just 2 days earlier, on March 13, Officer Thomas Patton of the Cleveland Heights Police Department collapsed and died while in pursuit of a suspect. Officers Kerstetter and Patton gave their lives in protection of their communities. These brave men knew the risks of the profession, but they also knew the rewards. Our policemen and women are part of the foundation of our communities. They risk it all as they walk the beat and patrol the streets, keeping our families and neighborhoods safe. Police officers go to work every day, committed to the oath that they take to serve and protect. And too often when officers fall, we are reminded of the costs and the sacrifice of the protection they provide us.

But we must not only remember their service in times of loss. We must not only appreciate all that they do for

us during this 1 week. We must appreciate their service and support them every week, every day. We must commit ourselves to the mission of supporting the service of our police and giving them the means to fulfill their oath. That's why this year and in previous years, I supported full funding to the Community Oriented Policing Services, known as the COPS program. Congress created COPS in the 1990s to address increasing crime rates, and it has succeeded in putting over 117,000 more police on the beat. COPS' funding had been cut significantly after the 1990s, but I am proud to say that I have fought to make sure that this funding is continually improved and restored.

The Recovery Act that was passed and was supported by the FOP provided \$1 billion for this competitive grant, aiding police forces that were facing drastic cuts in the face of a declining economy. There were 165 officers' jobs saved throughout Ohio, and in my district alone 30 officers' positions were saved through COPS funding by the Recovery Act, and that doesn't even take into account all of us who were saved and safer because they were on the street.

We must continue to fight for funding and support our police, just as they fight for us every day to keep us safe, just as Officer Kerstetter and Officer Patton fought to keep us safe and gave their lives to protect us, let us always be there for them.

The SPEAKER pro tempore (Mr. LUJÁN). Under a previous order of the House, the gentleman from North Carolina (Mr. JONES) is recognized for 5 minutes.

(Mr. JONES addressed the House. His remarks will appear hereafter in the Extensions of Remarks.)

#### HONORING CORPORAL HARVEY DURING NATIONAL POLICE WEEK

The SPEAKER pro tempore. Under a previous order of the House, the gentleman from Texas (Mr. NEUGEBAUER) is recognized for 5 minutes.

Mr. NEUGEBAUER. Mr. Speaker, National Police Week provides an opportunity for all of us to reflect on our law enforcement officers' countless contributions to building safe communities, not only in the Nation but also in the 19th Congressional District. This week, we pay tribute to those police officers who sacrifice so much for our safety. I am honored to stand behind those who risk their lives on a daily basis to keep our families and our neighborhoods safe. During this week, we also take time to remember those officers who we have lost in the line of duty and their families.

This week, members of the Lubbock County Sheriff's Office are in Washington to attend the candlelight vigil in honor of fallen police officers across the Nation, including Lubbock County Sheriff Deputy Corporal Harvey. Cor-

poral Harvey was killed on April 6, 2009, in a vehicle accident while on duty. Corporal Harvey joined the Lubbock County Sheriff's Office in 2001 and was a member of the Texas Tactical Peace Officers Association. Corporal Harvey was a devoted father to sons J.D. and Austin and loving husband to his wife, Stacy.

Corporal Harvey's name will be engraved on the National Law Enforcement Officers Memorial and will be revealed during a ceremony in honor of all 116 officers who were killed in 2009. I will have the great honor to meet Corporal Harvey's parents, Danny and Diana, and his brother Brendan while they are here in Washington and to welcome the Lubbock County Sheriff's Department Honor Guard. We cannot and will not forget the service of Corporal Harvey and the many others who have lost their lives in the line of duty.

Mr. Speaker, we sometimes take for granted that every day, 7 days a week, 365 days a year, that men and women go out and put on a different uniform than our Nation's military. They put on a uniform of keeping the peace in our country, keeping our homes safe, keeping our businesses safe, keeping our streets safe. And we thank those men and women that do that. Sometimes I think we take them for granted.

I hope that the American people will use this week to go up to a peace officer, a law enforcement officer and take that opportunity to say "thank you." But also, maybe you live in a neighborhood where a sheriff's officer or a police officer lives in your neighborhood. Maybe they live next door to you. I hope you will take time to say to their family, Thank you for supporting your dad or your mom or your husband or your wife and allowing them to serve our country in this very special way because truly, it is a team sport, because without the support of the families, these men and women could not go and do the great job that we ask them to do. And what we learn is, this is a dangerous job, and unfortunately every year, we lose officers in the line of duty. We've already lost at least one in the 19th Congressional District this year. So from all the people in the 19th Congressional District—and I think I can speak for all the people across America, thank you, peace officers, law enforcement officers all across our country. And may God bless you, and may He continue to bless the United States of America.

#### REMOVAL OF NAME OF MEMBER AS COSPONSOR OF H.J. RES. 76

Mr. KILDEE. Mr. Speaker, I ask unanimous consent to remove my name as cosponsor of H.J. Res. 76.

The SPEAKER pro tempore. Is there objection to the request of the gentleman from Michigan?

There was no objection.